

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

(x) Original () Supplemental () Substitute () PCT () DESIGN

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I verily believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Title: DATA PLAYER, DIGITAL CONTENTS PLAYER, PLAYBACK SYSTEM, DATA EMBEDDING APPARATUS, AND EMBEDDED DATA DETECTION APPARATUS

of which is described and claimed in:

() the attached specification, or

(x) the specification in application Serial No. _____, filed August 18, 2000, and with amendments through (if applicable), or

() the specification in International Application No. _____, filed _____, and as amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the content of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 (and §172 if this application is for a Design) of any application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NO.	DATE OF FILING	PRIORITY CLAIMED
Japan	11-233813	August 20, 1999	YES
Japan	11-233814	August 20, 1999	YES
Japan	11-233815	August 20, 1999	YES

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

APPLICATION SERIAL NO.	U.S. FILING DATE	STATUS: PATENTED, PENDING, ABANDONED

And I hereby appoint Michael R. Davis, Reg. No. 25,134; Matthew M. Jacob, Reg. No. 25,154; Jeffrey Nolton, Reg. No. 25,408; Warren M. Cheek, Jr., Reg. No. 33,367; Nils Pedersen, Reg. No. 33,145; and Charles R. Watts, Reg. No. 33,142, who together constitute the firm of WENDEROTH, LIND & PONACK, L.L.P., jointly and severally, attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

I hereby authorize the U.S. attorneys named herein to accept and follow instructions from HAYASE & CO. as to any action to be taken in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding this application without direct communication between the U.S. attorneys and myself. In the event of a change in the persons from whom instructions may be taken, the U.S. attorneys named herein will be so notified by me.

003730" 58404960

Send Correspondence to

Direct Telephone Calls to:

WENDEROTH, LIND & PONACK, L.L.P.
2033 K Street, N.W., Suite 800
Washington, D.C. 20006

WENDEROTH, LIND & PONACK, L.L.P.
Area Code (202) 721-8200

Direct Facsimile Messages to:
Area Code (202) 721-8250

Full Name of First Inventor	FAMILY NAME KAWADA	FIRST GIVEN NAME Hirotsugu	SECOND GIVEN NAME
Residence & Citizenship	CITY Osaka	STATE OR COUNTRY Japan	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP Japan
Post Office Address	ADDRESS 7-3-3, Uenoshibacho, Sakai-shi, Osaka	CITY Osaka	STATE OR COUNTRY Japan ZIP CODE 593-8301
Full Name of Second Inventor	FAMILY NAME KATTA	FIRST GIVEN NAME Noboru	SECOND GIVEN NAME
Residence & Citizenship	CITY Hyogo	STATE OR COUNTRY Japan	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP Japan
Post Office Address	ADDRESS 1-49-1, Mizugaoka, Itami-shi, Hyogo	CITY Itami-shi	STATE OR COUNTRY Hyogo ZIP CODE 664-0017
Full Name of Third Inventor	FAMILY NAME IBARAKI	FIRST GIVEN NAME Susumu	SECOND GIVEN NAME
Residence & Citizenship	CITY Osaka	STATE OR COUNTRY Japan	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP Japan
Post Office Address	ADDRESS 3-23-A-302, Higashitoyonakacho, Toyonaka-shi, Osaka	CITY Toyonaka-shi	STATE OR COUNTRY Osaka ZIP CODE 560-0003
Full Name of Fourth Inventor	FAMILY NAME TATEBAYASHI	FIRST GIVEN NAME Makoto	SECOND GIVEN NAME
Residence & Citizenship	CITY Hyogo	STATE OR COUNTRY Japan	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP Japan
Post Office Address	ADDRESS 1-16-21, Mefu, Takarazuka-shi, Hyogo	CITY Takarazuka-shi	STATE OR COUNTRY Hyogo ZIP CODE 665-0852
Full Name of Fifth Inventor	FAMILY NAME HARADA	FIRST GIVEN NAME Shunji	SECOND GIVEN NAME
Residence & Citizenship	CITY Osaka	STATE OR COUNTRY Japan	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP Japan
Post Office Address	ADDRESS 2-20-52, Tamadenishi, Nishinari-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka	CITY Osaka-shi	STATE OR COUNTRY Osaka ZIP CODE 557-0045
Full Name of Sixth Inventor	FAMILY NAME	FIRST GIVEN NAME	SECOND GIVEN NAME
Residence & Citizenship	CITY	STATE OR COUNTRY	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
Post Office Address	ADDRESS	CITY	STATE OR COUNTRY ZIP CODE

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

1st Inventor _____ Date _____
Hirotsugu KAWADA
2nd Inventor _____ Date _____
Noboru KATTA
3rd Inventor _____ Date _____
Susumu IBARAKI
4th Inventor _____ Date _____
Makoto TATEBAYASHI
5th Inventor _____ Date _____
Shunji HARADA
6th Inventor _____ Date _____

The above application may be more particularly identified as follows:

U.S. Application Serial No. _____ Filing Date August 18, 2000

Applicant Reference Number P-23109-01 Atty Docket No. 2000_1134A

Title of Invention DATA PLAYER, DIGITAL CONTENTS PLAYER, PLAYBACK SYSTEM, DATA EMBEDDING APPARATUS, AND EMBEDDED DATA DETECTION APPARATUS